



STATESBORO FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"TO GLORIFY GOD AND LOVE OTHERS THROUGH WORSHIP, STUDY, AND SERVICE."

REV. JAMES A. CASON SENIOR PASTOR
REV. STEPHANIE SMITH ASSOCIATE PASTOR

July 7, 2019

Worship Services:

Sanctuary:
8:30AM & 11:00AM

Fellowship Hall:
9:01AM & 11:00AM

Sunday School:

Classrooms:
10:00AM

God is at Work

The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. — Luke 10:2

By the time Luke's gospel was written (after A.D. 60), the church had entered into a new generation of believers. They had limited memories of its start and development. Memories of Jerusalem, Antioch, and Paul's missionary journeys were fading. Much had changed. Many of the believers wondered what God was up to now, and why Jesus hadn't returned yet in their lifetime (see 2 Peter 3). They wondered what it meant to be the church now.

Many generations of people since then have asked similar questions. In the story about Jesus sending out 72 followers, we gain some insight into what it means to be the church. We discover the answer when we go into the neighborhoods and communities where we live. We discover the genius of what God has been about since the very beginning—God is at work in the everyday, ordinary places where the people live.

Still today, we are invited to live out and to share the love of God as a community committed to love and peace and justice. We exist not just for ourselves but to practice what it looks like to be the body of Christ, as people being formed into the image of the Son. We live out the story as God's missionary people—serving as a demonstration of what God plans to do in and for all creation in Christ Jesus.

May we seek to serve God as the body of Christ here at Statesboro First!

God of mission, we want to live into the calling that we are your people. Give us eyes to see the spaces into which you lead us, and give us courage to walk there. Amen.

Blessings,
Rev. Stephanie

Covered Dish Luncheon
Sunday, July 14 at 12PM

Save the date! The UMW will sponsor a covered-dish luncheon to welcome Rev. Stephanie Smith and her family to our church. The church will supply the meat dishes. We are asking everyone to bring several covered dishes to share. We will enjoy spending time together and enjoying the food prepared by our great cooks. Let's give Stephanie and her family a warm First United Methodist welcome.

Sunday, July 7, 2019

8:30AM & 11:00AM Traditional - Rev. Jimmy Cason

9:00AM Summer Soul - Rev. Stephanie Smith

Luke 10:1-11

"Wiping the Dust Off of Your Feet"

Our Faithfulness in Worship (Sunday, June 30, 2019)

Morning Worship: 414

Sunday School: 160

8:30AM: 61

Summer Soul
9:00AM: 165

11:00AM: 188

KIDVENTURE
Kids Sunday School: 17

Offering Received: \$27,908.00
New Building Fund: \$10.00 (total \$69,940.02)

Our Church Family

Christian sympathy and prayers are extended to *Mrs. Virginia (Ginny) Hughes* upon the death of her daughter, *Amy Louise Hughes* of Cumming, GA who died on Sunday, June 23.

Prayer Concerns

Hospital: *Ida Waters - Home from hospital post heart cath/stent*
Peggie Herrington - Metter Swing Bed
Tommie Rushing - Rehab in Savannah
Ken Whitaker - Rehab in Savannah
Sally Myrick - Home from hospital

Ongoing: *Fred Grist, Bill Mathis Sr., Greyson Kennedy, Tammie Dickens, Coley Cassedy, Marda Bell, Linda Arnold, Joyce Lovett, Carter Berkeley, Connie Hodges, Ruth Anne Rogers, Judy Strickland, Yvonne Redden, Laura Beasley, Daryl Harrison, Brian Harrison, Steve Piazza, Jim Long, Shirley Connell, Marshall Thigpen, Lloyd Jones, Diane Deloach, Frances Humphrey*

Care Facilities: *Willow Pond - Janette Johnson, Willie Coleman, Jan Johnston, Carolyn McCarty* *Southern Manor - Jean Braswell, Libby Hutcheson*
Westwood Nursing Home - John Gould

Welcome New Member

Mr. Michael Woody
1150 Brampton Avenue
Statesboro, GA 30458
Phone: 770-630-1083

Michael, who is a junior history major at GSU, joins our church on transfer of membership from Cumming First United Methodist Church in Cumming, Georgia.

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

Have You Ever Wanted to Walk Where Jesus Walked? Well you Can!

Pastor Jimmy and his wife, Susan will be leading a spiritual pilgrimage to the land of the Bible (Israel) January 15-24, 2020. The cost is \$3,298 which includes round-trip airfare from Savannah to Tel Aviv, Israel, tour and sightseeing, first class Hotels, deluxe motorcoaches and daily buffet breakfast and dinner (lunches not included in the price). Places we will visit: Sea of Galilee featuring a boat ride, Tiberius, the ancient ruins of Capernaum, Magdala, Caesarea by the Sea, Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered, the Jordan River, Jericho, the Mount of Olives, Bethlehem, the Church of the Nativity, the Shepherd's Field, Jerusalem and the Old City, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the Via Dolorosa, the Western or Wailing Wall, and Israel's Holocaust Museum. There is a day that features an optional trip to Masada (extra charge) and the Dead Sea. If interested, please contact Pastor Jimmy. A \$400 deposit needs to be sent by July 15.

Volunteers for July 7, 2019 (First Sunday of July)

Prayer Warriors: Joel & Nancy Martin

8:30 Lay Liturgist: Russ Lanier

8:30 Ushers: Bird Hodges, Brannen Hodges

11:00 Lay Liturgist: Leslie Fletcher

11:00 Ushers: Bill Moore, Jim Campbell, Ronnie Ruffo, Hoke Brunson, Tal Johnson, Steve Harper, Robert Prosser

(Balcony: Olin Lovett, Ronnie Hodges, Earl Dabbs Jr., Brad Shiels)

Greeters: Janet Mathis, Betty F. Hodges, Carol Ruffo

Meals On Wheels (July 9): Mike & Pat Pontieri



SFUMC Students News

Youth Summer Schedule

July 15-18 - Youth Week

July 31 - Parent Meeting

August 2 - MS Lock-In

August 11 - HS Kickoff

For more information on any of these events contact Becca or Clay,
bbrown@statesborofirst.com, cboerner@statesborofirst.com.

Youth Week Volunteers Needed

Youth Week is scheduled for July 15-18. The event is free and open to all rising 7th graders through recently graduated seniors. Youth Week is an outreach event where we encourage our students to bring their friends. There will be a time for food, games, prizes, worship and a message. **We also need parent volunteers to help this event run smoothly.** Several volunteers are needed each night, Monday-Wednesday from 6:30PM-9:30PM and Thursday from 5:45PM-8:45PM. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Becca Brown, bbrown@statesborofirst.com.

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Remember: School Supplies Soup Kitchen - July 20

THANK YOU to those who have donated items for the School Supplies Soup Kitchen. Because of the success of the Easter Bundles Soup Kitchen, our supplies were exhausted. There is also a need for a few more volunteers at the Sunday and Tuesday afternoon workshops to help assemble the bundles (1102 Cherokee Court). You can contact Sara Melford for times. On July 19 help is needed transporting the bundles to the church and on July 20, please consider volunteering (with your children) between approximately 10:30AM-1:30PM at the Soup Kitchen. You don't have to be present the whole time and it is a wonderful opportunity to directly help our less fortunate neighbors. For more information email saramelford@gmail.com.

Our Church Calendar

Sunday, July 7

8:30AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.

9:00AM - *Summer Soul* Service, FH

10:00AM - Sunday School, Classrooms

11:00AM - Traditional Service, Sanct.

Monday, July 8

11:00AM - UMW Summer Lunch, 306

Tuesday, July 9

2:00PM - UMM Shut-In Meal Prep, kitchen

6:00PM - Al Anon, Grace House

Wednesday, July 10

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)

5:00PM - Stephen Ministers

(Grp 1 Supervision), Lib.

6:00PM - Stephen Ministers

(Whole Grp), 201

6:45PM - Stephen Ministers

(Grp 2 Supervision), Lib.

7:00PM - Chancel Choir, Choir Rm.

Thursday, July 11

6:00PM - Contemp. Band Rehearsal, FH

Friday, July 12

9:00AM - ACTS, Outreach Center(offsite)

Saturday, July 13

11:00AM - Al Anon, Grace House

12:00PM - Soup Kitchen, FH



Statesboro First Methodist
Children's Ministries

Sunday, July 7, 2019

Children's Moment (11:00 Traditional)
Stephanie Smith

Kids Worship:

9:00: Sarah Akins

Kidventure: (*Summer Sunday School*) Sarah Akins

11:00: Sarah Akins

Children's Ministries News

Save the Date for Celebration Sunday

We will celebrate the end of another Sunday school year for children on July 28. All children's classes from the fall season (3 year olds through 5th grade) will meet in the Sanctuary at 10:00AM to be recognized, and rising 3rd graders will receive Bibles. All children's Sunday school teachers will also be recognized. A small reception will follow in the Gathering Area. Promotion Sunday is August 4, when children move up and begin Sunday school in new classrooms for the 2019-2020 school year.

Children's Ministry Service Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers to serve alongside us in Children's Ministry this coming school year. Leaders and helpers are needed for the 2019-2020 Sunday school year beginning August 4. Please contact Sarah Akins (sakins@statesborofirst.com) if you can assist with children between the ages of three and ten on a rotating basis. Volunteers are also needed to assist with the PreK-Kindergarten children's choir when Wednesday Night Ministry kicks off this fall. Lauren Fowler currently leads Kids JAM, but additional help is needed for the younger age group. Thank you!

Statesboro First United Methodist Church

Gone on Vacation?

Summer is a wonderful time for the beach, sunshine and relaxation with family and friends. If you happen to miss a Sunday, you can always catch up with what is going on at Statesboro First United Methodist. There are several ways to stay connected.

- **Online Messages:** Our sermons are posted online shortly following the Sunday service. You can find these at Statesborofirst.com/media.
- **SFUMC APP:** Our sermons, bulletins, and upcoming events can be accessed through our Statesboro First App which can be downloaded from the iTunes App Store, Google Play, Amazon App Store, and Roku Channel Store.
- **Online Giving:** If you miss this summer please know you can give online. It is quick and easy, the first time you will register a new account. Then if you are a member, we'll link your new account to your existing membership profile which will give you access to previous giving statements. With these new membership and giving tools, you can create recurring gifts, save credit cards and other payment info, and much more. To give online please go to our website at Statesborofirst.com/giving-opportunities

Have a wonderful Summer and stay connected to Statesboro First!

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SUNDAY, JULY 7, 2019
LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

GATHERING
LIGHTING OF CANDLES
PRELUDE & MEDITATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bear one another's burdens
Correct one another with gentleness.
Bless one another with signs of peace.
Let us not grow weary in doing what is right.
May God fill us with hope, joy, and love.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

Hymn #133 *"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed #881 Hymnal

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI** Hymn #71

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE AND REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

PROCLAIMING THE VISION

Why does Statesboro First United Methodist Church exist?
To glorify God and love others through worship, study, and service.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00AM Service)

STEPHANIE SMITH

(Following the Children's Moment, children in Pre-K through 4th grade are invited to Kids Worship in Room 306.)

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

8:30AM RUSS LANIER; 11:00AM LESLIE FLETCHER

OFFERTORY (8:30AM Service)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (11:00AM Service)

The True and Living Bread

David Blackwell

***DOXOLOGY HYMN #94**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 10:1-11

MESSAGE

“Wiping the Dust Off of Your Feet”

REV. JIMMY CASON

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

Hymn #351 *“Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”*

POSTLUDE

**Congregation standing if able during this portion of the service.*

Please ensure your cell phone is silenced during the service.

A **children's bulletin** with Bible puzzles and activities is available in the Gathering Area on the first floor and also in the back of the Sanctuary's balcony on the second floor.



The Sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assistance system.
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